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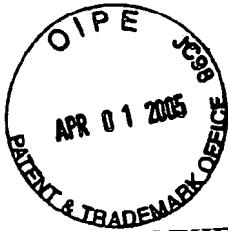
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Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the subject application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ Six (6) sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1-9.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and Form PTO-1595.
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- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
Int.Cl.⁷ B29D30/38

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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Jitsuyo Shinan Koho 1926-1996 Toroku Jitsuyo Shinan Koho 1994-2003
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 5395475 A (BRIDGESTONE CORP.), 07 March, 1995 (07.03.95), Claim 1; Fig. 1 & JP 5-131565 A Claim 1; Fig. 1	1-7
A	JP 2002-200678 A (The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.), 16 July, 2002 (16.07.02), Claim 1 (Family: none)	1-7
A	JP 10-128869 A (The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.), 19 May, 1998 (19.05.98), Claim 1; Par. No. [0017]; Figs. 7 to 10 (Family: none)	1-7

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